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From: Gravatt, Dan
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2013 8:19 AM
To: Singletary, DeAndre
Subject: RE: ACTION REQUIRED: Sen. Roy Blunt - West Lake Landfill Update Request

DeAndre, my only proposed change would be to explain that PZ-109-SS is a monitoring well that was sampled for groundwater last July.

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Principles and integrity are expensive, but they are among the very few things worth having.

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Cc: Hammerschmidt, Ron; Tapia, Cecilia
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See responses in red.

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From: Sanders, LaTonya
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2013 3:37 PM
To: Singletary, DeAndre
Cc: Tapia, Cecilia
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Hi DeAndre:

I received the following questions from Sen. Blunt's office.

I know that Dan is out on furlough status until tomorrow.

Can you provide answers to the questions below?

They have asked for a quick turnaround.

Thanks.

From: DeGregorio, Kerry (Blunt) [mailto:Kerry_DeGregorio@blunt.senate.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2013 3:23 PM
To: Sanders, LaTonya
Subject: RE: West Lake Landfill Update Request

LaTonya,
After reading your email, I reread the West Lake Landfill file.
I have a couple of questions.

1. We were told there would be a quick return on the data from the EPA plane testing. What is the delay in the release of the information? Although the ASPECT plane was able to perform an instant analysis during the flyover, the results still have to go through quality assurance to attest to their validity. A report is being generated to assist in communicating the complex results associated with this activity. EPA will release this report in May.
2. In your previous risk assessments was there a risk assessment for a underground fire at this site? EPA has not addressed the subsurface smoldering event (underground fire) in previous risk assessments.
3. I have heard at meetings that the EPA water tests found radioactivity within 100 feet of the underground fire. Could you give me a clarification on that point? While PZ-109-SS is on the north edge of the Former Active Sanitary Landfill cell, its actual distance from the edge of the "fire" is not known with any certainty due to uncertainty in the fire's perimeter. It is likely more than 200 feet from the fire, based on a depiction provided by MDNR at EPA's January public meeting. It is important to note that this well is outside of the waste mass of the Former Active Sanitary Landfill. Additionally the well contained 5.3 pCi/L of dissolved radium which is only slightly above the Maximum Contaminant Level of 5 pCi/L. The Maximum Contaminant Level is the legal limit of a certain contaminant that drinking water may contain as regulated by the Safe Drinking Water Act. There are no consumers of the ground water contained within the landfill.
4. Who determines when air levels are no longer safe for residents? Concerns related to air and odor are being addressed by health agencies such as the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.
5. Who is responsible for an evacuation plan if warranted? The Pattonville Fire District / local responders will be responsible for implementing an evacuation plan if such is warranted.

I would appreciate a reply as quickly as possible as we have a meeting scheduled with the residents.

Thank you for your assistance.

Best,

Kerry

Hi Kerry,

We have no updates at this time.

We are in the planning stages of scheduling regular updates (as needed) for all elected officials concerning West Lake Landfill.

I will keep you posted.

Thanks.

LaTonya E. Sanders
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From: DeGregorio, Kerry (Blunt) [mailto:Kerry_DeGregorio@blunt.senate.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2013 11:06 AM
To: Sanders, LaTonya
Subject: West Lake Landfill Update Request

Good morning LaTonya,

The Senator is requesting an updated briefing from the EPA on the West Lake Landfill. He has instructed that I follow up on a monthly basis unless we have received a recent update.

I would be glad to receive the briefing by email.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Best regards,

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